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SUBJECT: ALLIED-FRG CONSULTATIONS ON BERLIN AND
INNER-GERMAN RELATIONS

REF: BONN 2673

1. DEPARTMENT TOO HAS BEEN CONCERNED THAT THE THREE
POWERS HAVE NOT BEEN GIVEN ENOUGH OF THE DETAILS
ON DEVELOPMENTS IN INNER-GERMAN RELATIONS. WHILE
CONVERSATIONS WITH GAUS IN EAST BERLIN HAVE BEEN
EXTREMELY HELPFUL, WE SHARE FRENCH VIEW THAT MORE
DIRECT CONTACT WITH POLICY LEVEL OFFICIALS IN BONN IS
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NECESSARY.

2. FOR THIS REASON, DEPARTMENT BELIEVES EMBASSY SHOULD
SUPPORT FRENCH PROPOSAL FOR MORE REGULAR CONTACTS
BETWEEN ALLIED AMBASSADORS AND EITHER SPANGENBERG OR
WISCHNEWSKI. IF HANDLED CAREFULLY, WE DO NOT BELIEVE

REGULAR CONTACTS OF THIS SORT SHOULD UNDERMINE THE ROLE
OF THE BONN GROUP OR PUT THE ALLIES IN THE MIDDLE
OF FOREIGN OFFICE-CHANCELLERY RIVALRY. ONE WAY OF
LESSENING DANGER TO POSITION OF BONN GROUP WOULD BE TO
HOLD THE MEETINGS OVER LUNCH AND TO CAST THE MEETINGS
AS GENERAL DISCUSSIONS RATHER THAN BRIEFING ON SPECIFIC
SUBJECT. HOWEVER, DEPARTMENT BELIEVES THAT, TO BE
REALLY EFFECTIVE AS A MEANS OF OBTAINING USEFUL INFO ON A
REGULAR BASIS, SUCH MEETINGS SHOULD TAKE PLACE EVERY
FOUR TO SIX WEEKS RATHER THAN EVERY TWO TO THREE MONTHS

AS PROPOSED IN REFTEL.
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